FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. H. 3646

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The Honorable Joe E. Brown, Chairman, House Medical, Military, Public and Municipal

Affairs Committee

FROM: Office of State Budget, Budget and Control Board

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SUBJECT: Attendant Care Services and Health Maintenance Activities Defined

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

Minimal (Some additional costs expected but can be absorbed)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

House Bill 3646 amends Section 40-33-20(11) and (30) of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, relating to the definitions used in the licensure and regulation of nursing, so as to revise the definitions of "attendant care services" and "health maintenance activities." The Bill clarifies but does not alter the intent of the definitions. The Bill also amends Section 40-33-30(D)(9) of the Code by clarifying that the Chapter may not be construed to prohibit an unlicensed person from providing "attendant care services."

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Health & Human Services

The Department reports some additional training expenses could be expected, but they should be minimal and could be absorbed.

<u>Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation/Department of Health & Environmental Control</u>
Both Departments report that there will be no impact on the General Fund of the State, or on Federal and/or Other Funds.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

None.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

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